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Nicholas Lott
American Gilsonite Company
29950 South Bonanza Highway
Bonanza, Utah 84008

Subject: Final Approval of Permit Transfer, Neal State Mine, American Gilsonite Corporation, S/047/0063, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lott:

On April 25, 2016, the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining approved the replacement surety and reclamation contract for the transfer of the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI) for the referenced project from Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation to American Gilsonite Corporation. You are now solely responsible to conduct small mining operations as outlined in the approved NOI. Ziegler Chemical and Mineral Corporation is hereby released from any further reclamation liability under this permit.

The approval or acceptance of a complete NOI does not relieve an operator from his responsibility to comply with the applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and ordinances of all local, state and federal agencies with jurisdiction over any aspect of the operator's mining operations.

The Division's web page at <http://ogm.utah.gov> under the Minerals Program has a link to the rules under which you are expected to operate and to other information to assist you in complying with program requirements. Thank you for your cooperation. In reply, please refer to file number S/047/0063. Please contact April Abate at 801-538-5214 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions or concerns regarding this approval.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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Enclosure: Copy of RC & surety forms and copy of the approved NOI

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